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VIEW FROM THE TOWER

I am happy to announce that The Rockefeller Foundation has awarded a one-year grant of \$5,000 to The Associates to establish a Professional Activities Fund to aid foreign agriculturally-oriented scholars, trainees, and students in the library and information sciences studying in the United States. I am certain that the entire membership will share my enthusiasm and hope for the success of this program.

The Associates from its inception has been keenly interested in the educational activities offered by NAL, especially those for students, professional and technical personnel from underdeveloped and emerging countries. NAL, however, has no official funds to support visiting scholars or trainees, or otherwise help visitors to interact with their peers through attendance at professional library meetings, seminars, workshops or visits to other libraries. The Associates have felt that they could

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offer a valuable service to foreign students through the provision of supplementary funds for participation in professional activities. The establishment of a Profess-

ional Activities Fund has been a major program objective.

It has been observed that international students have gained a great deal of

help, inspirtation and broadened educational experience through attendance at pro-

fessional meetings, etc. The purpose of this grant is, therefore, to stimulate

such interaction.

The Associates will provide a stipulated amount per visitor to cover travel and

per diem expenses to professional meetings, etc. Applicants must file a statement

with The Associates NAL, Inc. for review, indicating no official funds are available

to support such activities.

A special meeting of the Board of Directors met on Friday, September 29, 1972

to establish a Professional Activities Fund Committee to handle the administration

of the grant. This Committee will review all applications for aid, as well as

establishing policy guidelines and procedures. The following people have agreed to

serve on the Committee.

Jeanne M. Holmes Richard Blanchard

C. S. Shaffner

Mildred Benton

Advisors

Dorothy Parker

Angelina J. Carabelli

The Committee is also open to suggestions and recommendations from the member-

ship at large.

ANGELINA J. CARABELLI

President



OUR MEMBERS

In response to our plea for news of members' activities we received and enjoyed the following item from Karl S. Quisenberry of Sarasota, Florida:

"In an earlier letter you asked for a brief item about what I might be doing. So here goes.

"Probably my number one hobby, next to golf, is Western Americana and I spend considerable time with my books and attending meetings of the Western History Association. During the first week of June this year I was in Logan, Utah for a seminar or conference on The West: Its Literature and History. Well known writers present included Wallace Stegner, Howard Lamar, LeRoy Hafen, Juanita Brooks, Jack Schaefer and Robert Atheam. Each of the featured writers gave a formal lecture and then took part in seminars where there was a chance for an exchange of ideas as well as a chance to get acquainted. A most enjoyable experience.

"Enroute to Logan I got a chance to spend some time in The Western Room of the Denver Library - one of my favorite places to visit."

GIFTS

The Associates wish to acknowledge with appreciatiation the following gifts to the National Agricultural Library:

- 1. The Potomac Rose Society through Charles C. Montgomery:
 Thirty-two volumes on roses.
- 2. Dr. E. M. Funk:

The Million Egg Farm by Joel M. Foster

1970 Abstracts of Proceedings of the World's Poultry Congress



3. Benton Parks:

<u>Historical and Biographical Record of the Cattle Industry and</u> the Cattlemen of Texas and Adjacent Territory. 1895.

ODDS AND ENDS

Our monograph, Abraham Lincoln: His Legacy to American Agriculture, has enjoyed a small but steady sale since publication. We have been particularly gratified by the National Park Service's action in stocking it for sale at historic Lincoln sites. The monograph was also indexed in the July 1972 issue of Vertical File Index published by The H. W. Wilson Company.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting, May 15, 1972 are amended to note that the "keepsake" monograph Abraham Lincoln: His Legacy to American Agriculture was printed at no expense to The Associates by the Randall Press, Washington, D. C. The Associates are most grateful to Mr. Philip Hein of Randall Press for his expert advice on design and guidance through the press.

Annual membership renewals were due in July. If you are one of our delinquent members - and there are a few - this is the last issue of the Newsletter you will receive. Membership cards were sent you in anticipation of your renewal. We need your moral and financial support! So let's hear from you delinquent members.

Julia Finette Davis has agreed to chair the Nominating Committee for new officers in 1973/74. Other members of the Committee are:

Dr. Wayne D. Rasmussen

Dr. Vearl R. Smith

Dr. Donal D. Johnson

Dr. Harry C. Trelogan

Dr. Dorothy Parker



Calendar for Phasing Administration of The Associates, NAL Activities

July 1972

Plan Membership Drive (in progress)

Issue "Today" Newsletter Vol. 1, no. 4 (completed)

Plan establishment of Information and Sales

Desk (tabled)

Professional Activities Fund - request aid from Rockefeller Foundation (initiated & received)

Contact established committees, Re: Progress reports (completed)

August 1972

Draft policy for gift materials and sale of duplicate gift materials (in progress)

Finance Committee, clarify duties of committee and Office of the Treasurer

Reactivate membership of existing committees, or appoint new members

September 1972

Establish new committees

Draft "Today" Newsletter, Vol. 1, no. 5 (completed)

Special Board meeting to discuss establishment of "Professional Activities Fund" program, and approve membership of committee to administer the fund.

(September 29) (completed)



October 1972 Issue "Today" Newsletter Vol. 1, no. 5 (completed)

Note: The Calendar will be brought up to date in the July issue.

November 1972 Regular Board Meeting

Amend by-laws to permit establishing office of

Honorary Chairman of the Board

December 1972 Review Board Meeting Report

Draft plans for carrying out new activities

January 1973 Continue plans for new activities

Contact committee chairmen for interim reports

Draft "Today" Newsletter Vol. 1, no. 6

February 1973 Board Meeting

Plan special publication for annual meeting

Issue "Today" Newsletter Vol. 1, no. 6

March 1973 Devise special publication

April 1973 Plan Annual Meeting

May 1973 Annual Meeting

Review activities

June 1973 Review all activities and accounts for transfer

to in-coming officers.

Draft materials for inclusion in "Today" Newsletter

Vol. 2, no. 1

